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THE PROBLEM,

The Chippewa river system that runs from the Holcombe flowage down to the Dells Pond dam does not need to have a closed season.

With the bag limits and slot sizes that are already in place on this section of the river, there is no chance of over-harvesting this system.

At present, state law does not allow game fishing on this part of the river from around March 1st until the opening of inland fishing season.

This is the only major river system in the state that has this closed season.

Wheras, it is time to stop cheating the sportsmen of Chippewa County out of this great resource we have right in our backyard.

BE IT RESOLVED,

The Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in Chippewa County on April 10, 2006, recommends that the Department of Natural Resources take action to correct this situation by introducing rule changes that would allow game fishing year-round on this section of the Chippewa River.

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